

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7336

Petition of Central Vermont Public Service)
Corporation for approval of an alternative-)
regulation plan)

Order entered: 4/10/2008

PROCEDURAL ORDER

Schedule

On April 7, 2008, Central Vermont Public Service Corporation ("CVPS") filed a proposed schedule for resolution of this proceeding. The proposed schedule calls for a final Board decision by October 2, 2008. To accommodate this deadline, CVPS has agreed to waive the requirement in 30 V.S.A. § 218d(f) that the Public Service Board ("Board") complete its investigation within 12 months of the filing of a petition. CVPS represents that the Department of Public Service ("DPS") and the Conservation Law Foundation ("CLF") agree to the proposed schedule, although the DPS reserves the right to argue that the 12-month deadline does not apply during the period in which this docket was suspended to allow an opportunity for settlement discussions in Docket 7321.

We accept the schedule proposed by the parties. This schedule provides for a final Board decision by October 2, 2008. In accepting the parties' proposal as to this date, we do not decide whether the 12-month deadline should run from CVPS's initial filing, considering that CVPS requested that the Board not consider its petition until Docket 7321 was decided, or from some later date.

The following schedule shall apply to this proceeding.

March 28, 2008	Rolling discovery begins on CVPS testimony (2-week turnaround; cooperative depositions)
May 1, 2008	Public Hearing via Vermont Interactive Television

May 23, 2008	DPS and other parties prefile testimony Rolling discovery on other parties' prefiled testimony begins (10-day turnaround; cooperative depositions)
June 18, 2008	CVPS prefiles rebuttal testimony Rolling discovery on CVPS rebuttal testimony begins (10-day turnaround; cooperative depositions)
July 9–11, 2008	Technical hearings ¹
August 8, 2008	Briefs and proposals for decision due
August 22, 2008	Reply briefs due
October 2, 2008	Board decision (CVPS waived requirement that order must be within 12 months of filing of petition)
November 1, 2008	Effective date (must be not sooner than 30 days after Board approval)

Intervention

CLF and AARP filed motions to intervene. No party objected to these requests. At the status conference on March 26, 2008, the Board granted both requests.

SO ORDERED.

1. The schedule does not require the Department or CLF to prefile surrebuttal testimony. Although not explicitly stated in the proposed schedule, we presume that these parties would present any such testimony live during the hearings.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 10th day of April, 2008.

<u>s/James Volz</u>)	
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<u>s/David C. Coen</u>)	BOARD
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<u>s/John D. Burke</u>)	

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FILED: April 10, 2008

ATTEST: s/Judith C. Whitney
Deputy Clerk of the Board

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